

Campus celebration rekindles spirit of Deaf President Now movement

The rumble of feet stomping the floor began as soon as President I. King Jordan and Board Chairman Philip Bravin walked into the Field House the evening of March 4. Hands waved in the air, and the vibration continued to build as they walked toward the front of the room. "It felt like an earthquake coming," said one deaf participant.

An estimated 1,500 students, faculty, staff, alumni, and others were gathered to celebrate the first anniversary of the Deaf President Now movement. The event included a picnic, program in the Field House, candlelight ceremony, celebration party, and an autograph party for Jack Gannon's new book, *The Week the World Heard Gallaudet*.

Student leader Tim Rarus was master of ceremonies for the program. The audience received greetings from Student Body Government President Greg Hlibok, Bravin, and Jordan.

Even though it was a year ago that students had their first rally for a deaf president, "the spirit is still here," said Hlibok.

Speaking of a recent Board of Trustees retreat, Bravin told the audience that the board has developed a curriculum for board members that includes learning sign language and studying deaf culture. The names of four deaf candidates are being considered for possible board membership, he said.

During the program, Jordan recalled his first day in office as president. That Monday, March 14, he met with Bravin and Hlibok. They communicated clearly with each other, without the need for an interpreter. "I never thought twice about that," said Jordan,

adding that it was the way communication should be.

Jordan noted that he has received tremendous support from Congress during the past year. To the audience he said, "If you work with me, we can prove to the world that deaf people can do anything except hear."

In presenting his new book about the Deaf President Now movement, Jack Gannon, executive director of Alumni Relations and Advancement, told the audience, "Here is your book. Thank you for the opportunity for me to write it." He presented the first copy of the book to King and Linda Jordan, along with a framed poster of the book cover.

Rosalyn Gannon, Gallaudet University Alumni Association representative for the Laurent Clerc Cultural Fund, presented a plaque honoring students, faculty, staff, and friends of Gallaudet University.

James Tucker, representing the DPN Council, announced the establishment of a DPN scholarship endowment fund, which already contains \$21,000. Two students will be selected each year to receive interest from the fund so they can become representatives of Gallaudet University during the year.

DPN Council representative Steve Hlibok also announced that the council is in the process of developing guidelines for a monument, symbolizing the DPN movement of 1988, to be placed on campus. More information about the monument, to be done by a deaf sculptor, will be announced later.

Following a discussion of various DPN-related issues, the group gathered for a candlelight ceremony, marching to various locations on campus in a re-creation of the candlelight vigil held a year ago. Many of the participants congregated outside "Ole Jim," waiting in the drizzle to purchase a copy of Gannon's book. When the doors opened at 9:30 p.m., several hundred people were waiting. Throughout the evening, a steady stream of people entered the building to purchase the book and have copies autographed by Gannon.

More than 600 copies of the book were sold by representatives of the Gallaudet University Press, the book's publisher. In addition, Gannon autographed an equal number of posters of the book cover, given out at the event. Although the doors to "Ole Jim" closed about 2:30 a.m., Gannon was still signing copies at 3:30. "He went through six pens," said a co-worker.

Copies of *The Week the World Heard Gallaudet* are available at the Gallaudet bookstore or through Gallaudet University Press.



King and Linda Jordan light candles with students for a procession across campus March 4 to celebrate the first anniversary of the Deaf President Now movement. The candlelight ceremony was a re-creation of the vigil held a year before.

Pride runs high at presentation commemorating famous deaf women

MSSD students donned pink "I Support Proud Deaf Women" buttons as they gathered to view KDES middle school instructor Sharon Wood's slide show of successful American deaf women March 3. The event kicked off a series of activities planned at MSSD in honor of National Women's History Month.

Among the many women in her presentation, Wood first highlighted Alice Cogswell as the first American student taught in sign language by Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and Laurent Clerc.

Wood's slide show also included Alto Lowman, Class of 1892, who was the first woman to graduate from Gallaudet and the first teacher from Gallaudet to teach at a state school for deaf children.

Regina Hughes, Class of 1918, a scientific illustrator for the Federal Agricultural Research Service, was discussed as well as Florence May, Class of 1921, who is as an expert on Spanish laces and textiles in a New York museum.

Wood also focused on Edna Adler, who just retired as assistant director of the Office of Deafness and Communicative Disorders in the Rehabilitative Services Administration in the U.S. Department of Education. And Gertrude Galloway, Class of 1951, the first woman president of the National Association of the Deaf and vice principal of the Maryland School for the Deaf at Columbia, Md., was also included in the presentation.

Dr. Roslyn Rosen, Class of '1962, was discussed as the first and only deaf woman dean at Gallaudet.

The slide show also included Tony Award-winning actress, Phyllis Frelich, who graduated from Gallaudet in 1967.

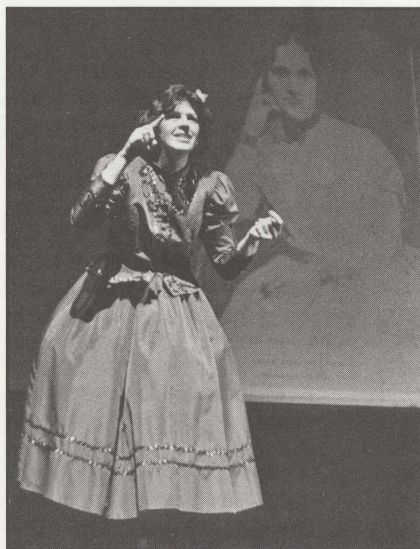
After discussing the successes of these and other deaf women, Wood told the students that when ignorant people discriminate against them, they must educate these people about all that deaf women can do. In this way, we can stop future discrimination, she said.

"I feel the program is very in-depth and very relevant," Office of Student Development Director Beth Benedict said of the month of activities her office has planned with the help of the MSSD Womens' Committee.

Other activities planned for the month include a women's court, a lecture on deaf sportswomen, and an equal rights for women rally. The National March for Women's Equality will be held on the Mall on April 9.



Pat Hurt-Ritenburg (left) and Ivey Pittle of the Gallaudet University Press join author Jack Gannon at book signing.



KDES instructor Sharon Wood recounts accomplishments of deaf women like Sarah Morse (background).

Announcements

The Gallaudet Community Relations Council will host its Tenth Annual Awards and Recognition Program on March 18 at 5 p.m. in the MSSD Auditorium. The program recognizes individuals and organizations who have made significant contributions to their communities. MSSD students will perform, and a reception will follow. Tickets, at \$7 for adults and \$4 for students, can be obtained from La Varne Hines, College Hall, Room 4, x5263; Leslie Proctor, College Hall, Room 215, x5644; and Al Couthen, KDES, x5031.

The Gallaudet Telecommunications Department will train employees to use the features of the Northern Telecom phone system on Monday, March 20, at 11 a.m. in College Hall, Room 310. People interested in attending the class should call Debbie Wheeler at x5777.

Affirmative Action Task Force members will summarize their progress, recommendations, and the status of their report on Wednesday, March 22, from 12:15 to 1 p.m. in the Abbey as part of the National Academy's Spring 1989 Empowerment Lecture Series. For more information, call Pat Johanson at x5096.

Dinner theater set

Gallaudet's first dinner theater production will be held in "Ole Jim" on April 28.

The dinner theater is being hosted by the Gallaudet University Alumni Association (GUAA) and features a steak and stuffed shrimp dinner followed by entertainment by the National Deaf Dance Theatre.

The dance theater's production will be directed by Sue Gill (Class of '82). The assistant director is Fanny Yeh (Class of '71), and the artistic director and choreographer is Mel Manco.

Tickets are \$20 per person and include a cocktail hour from 5:30-6:30 p.m., dinner from 6:30-7:30 p.m., and the 8 p.m. performance.

Only 100 tickets will be sold. To order, make checks payable to GUAA Host Service, "Ole Jim," and mail to the attention of Mike Kaika at the Alumni House.



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Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team leaders (from left) James Beldon, Patrick Costello, and Murray Margolin present Integrated Microcomputer Systems owner and Gallaudet alumnus John Yeh with SIFE's Entrepreneur of the Year Award Feb. 28.

Radio station owner, investment pro speak here during SIFE Week

Gallaudet's Students in Free Enterprise Team (SIFE), part of the School of Management, celebrated America's small business community Feb. 27-Mar. 3 with a number of activities. Talks by WOL radio station owner Kathy Hughes and financial consultant Julius Westheimer were two of the feature events at the University during SIFE Week.

Julius Westheimer

"Diversification," said noted investment expert Julius Westheimer, "is the key to any investment strategy."

People who have the cash to venture into financial speculation should spread their money throughout carefully chosen money markets, mutual funds, bonds, and stocks in order to protect themselves from sudden downturns in a particular market, said Westheimer.

Westheimer, a regular panelist on the television show "Wall Street Week," financial broadcaster for WBAL radio and TV Channel 11 in Baltimore, and a stock market columnist for the *Baltimore Sun*, was on hand at Gallaudet March 2 to offer investment guidance to the University community. His visit was made possible by an Arthur Andersen and Co. grant.

Despite the devastating "Black Monday" stock market crash of Oct. 19, 1987, Westheimer said, America's confidence in the stock market has returned, and trading is back up to the point that it was before the crash.

Westheimer emphasized that stocks represent a good value to the investor, and as long as quality "blue chip" stocks are bought—although they are more expensive—the purchaser can be reasonably sure of netting a good return.

Bonds, while more secure, do not bring as high of a yield as stocks, Westheimer said. As an example, he said, bonds purchased for \$1,000 40 years ago would only be worth about \$5,000 today, compared with an equal amount of stocks, which would be worth about \$88,000.

The best way to get started in building a nest egg through financial investing, Westheimer said, is through the advice of a broker with a reputable firm. Dozens of publications give advice to the novice investor, but Westheimer said that this is a confusing and chancy alternative. "Rather than prescribe pills for yourself, it's better to call a physician."

Kathy Hughes

As a young adolescent growing up in a Midwestern inner-city housing project, Kathy Hughes enjoyed a fast lifestyle—skipping school, bucking authority, and running with a crowd that stayed high on drugs and alcohol. But when she found herself pregnant and homeless at 16, all that changed.

"I realized that I was responsible for another life," Hughes said. She was determined to make a good life for herself and her baby, but she found that good intentions alone were not sufficient to make her way independently in the world. "I was real hip about street life, but real dumb about what it took to make a living," she recalls.

Students from Gallaudet's neighboring Hamilton Junior High School gathered at the University's cafeteria Feb. 27 for lunch and to hear Hughes' talk, courtesy of an invitation by Gallaudet's Students in Free Enterprise.

Hughes, now 42, is the embodiment of success—poised, attractive, and the owner of WOL, a highly popular radio station. She wears expensive clothes and drives luxurious European sports cars.

But Hughes warned the students that wealth and success—if they are obtained legally—don't come easy.

As a young mother, Hughes went back to school, often with her infant in tow, and completed her education. She moved to Washington in 1971 and took a job at Howard University as a lecturer in the School of Communication. She later became sales manager at WHUR radio and was promoted to general manager. Hughes purchased WOL in 1980 and bought WMMJ AM-FM in 1987.

"If you put out hard work and dedication, that's what comes back to you," said Hughes. "And that's what SIFE is all about—students participating in free enterprise."

Hughes warned the students not to be tempted to take the route to quick and easy money by dealing drugs. "All crack dealers end up dead or in jail," she said.

"There are many of you in this room who won't live to graduate from high school, and there are those of you who won't be a success," said Hughes. "It's not easy to become accomplished in America, especially if you are a black American. But you have to commit yourself to work. Apply yourself and the world is yours."

Williams dies

Jack H. Williams, 67, an engineer design coordinator with the Design and Construction unit of Gallaudet's Physical Plant Department (PPD), died of heart failure at his Northwest Washington, D.C., home on Feb. 10.

Williams began his career at Gallaudet in November, 1983 as an assistant chief engineer. He also served as a member of the Mayor's Schools and Hospitals Facilities Committee, which awards grants for energy audits, technical assistance studies, and energy conservation measures for schools, hospitals, and public care institutions.

Regina Pradier, supervisor of office services in PPD, said that Williams was known for "his devotion to the mission of Gallaudet and the department, and [was] looked upon as the 'father' of the PPD staff."

PPD Director Ernie Spriggs said that "He will surely be missed. His smiling face and cheerful attitude made him an important part of the PPD family."

Williams is survived by a wife and two sons.

Classified Ads

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FOR SALE: Carpets, light tan, 9'x13' and gray, 12'x15', good cond., each \$65/BO. Call Ellie, x4435 (TDD) or x5257 (V/TDD).

WANTED: Hearing impaired musicians to participate in The Deaf Way Conference and Festival, July 9-14. Call Jean Boutcher, x8-5831 or x8-5825 (V/TDD) or 363-1414 (TDD) eves.

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WANTED: Responsible person to share house in New Carrollton, Md.; quiet area near Metro, Beltway, BW Pkwy., Greenbelt Shopping Center; no pets; \$350/mo. inc. util. Call Karen, 577-6651 (V/TDD).

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